



COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

Anderson Business Owner Arrested for Operating Without a Retail License

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ANDERSON, S.C. - Davis Lee Edwards, owner and operator of Holiday Automotive Services, Inc., was arrested today for operating the business without a retail license. Today's arrest stemmed from the defendant's failure to comply with the 2011 revocation of his retail sales tax license by the South Carolina Department of Revenue (SCDOR) due to unpaid taxes in excess of \$37,000. Edwards was advised repeatedly by the SCDOR to close his business and cease making retail sales. However, Edwards continued to make retail sales without a valid retail license. The business is no longer operating and is now permanently closed. All equipment has been moved out of the business.

"We are committed to the fair administration of tax laws and to protecting compliant taxpayers," said Rick Reames, Director of the SCDOR. "By taking action against individuals who do not comply, we are working to prevent unfairly increasing the tax burden for the majority of South Carolinians who do."

If convicted, Edwards faces up to 30 days in jail and/or \$200 fine. He is currently being held at the Anderson County Detention Center pending a bond hearing.

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